THE USUAL GARDEN.

I think I'll take my trusty spade

I guess I'll have a subsoil made

I'll jam a lot of rusty pans

Top the same with empty cans

Some ashes on the beds I'll dump

With now and then a handy lump

And soon I'll have a garden fine

And sit beneath a budding vine.

These Empty Forms.

"That fellow is too darned literal."

mediately unreels a lot of symptoms.'

Battle of the Future.

Very Attentive.

neglects his lovemaking for business."

The Latest.

Some wondrous styles appear.

We Usually Have,

Dates Back.

"Who built the first Dreadnought?"

A Practical Curriculum.

"I believe that girl is in earnest about

And work begin.

And broken glass.

From time to time,

Of builder's lime.

In my back yard,

A happy bard.

busy cranking his auto."

daughter engaged to?"

Hats, hats, hats!

Just now we gape

At the new shape

going in for dramatic work.'

"Studying Shakespeare, is she?"

hung in the well?-Emporia Gazette.

'Tis the backbone of winter left bloom

of "Erin Go Bragh!"-Emporia Gazette.

the dark sea .- Chicago Tribune

under the eaves .- New York Mail.

heard on the hill.-Chicago Tribune

young Chevaller .- New York Mail.

The Passing of the Colon,

breaks in, or the limp Comma makes its

ineffectual protest against aimless per-

petuity. One can fancy our gallant old

Colon fleeing from the tumult of linotype

and multiple press. He must have gazed

regretfully at the coming of all these

strange, awkward creatures to the com-

posing room. He was the day of small

indeed, in company with the splendid

makers of English in the middle of the

nineteenth century; but having done that

he could do no more. And now he is

almost forgotten by his erstwhile asso-

Training the Innocent.

Knicker-New we have children taught

Bocker-Fine! Next we shall have ani-

mal training to show lambs how to

UNCLE HIRAM ON CITY LIFE.

out o' nights; They've got shows and things to keep

as me and you, And I reckon that they're often ruther wo

a year or so, And there's more out where that or

more saplin's still to grow; We ain't worried over coal strikes,

pay; While they're shiverin' up you

If it ain't a sausage

winds blow away,
We can carry in the billets and not have

clates in the printer's case.

From the New York Sun.

othes, lace and snuff-box. He lingered,

From the New York Post,

Yclept the chantecler.

"As to how?"

charge?"

diplomacy?"

"Noah."

nessean.

up the sleeve.'

Into a mass.

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New Men in Party Councils.

Whatever be the political complexion of the next National House of Representatives, its personnel will be new and strange, no doubt. The biggest political shake-up in the country's later history is impending, unless all present signs are misleading.

If the majority of the House be Democratic, as it now promises to be, that majority will be less partisan than any majority has ever been before. The election of Mr. Foss in Massachusetts is evidence of what is coming.

The Democratic party has not suddenly become formidable in itself. It has done little, if anything, to commend itself to the confidence of the masses. Its record on the tariff is justly open to attack. It persistently put obstacles in the way of revision downward. Its leaders in the Senate disregarded the party's platform and ridiculed the party's traditional policies.

It is only in the weakness of the party in power-at war with itself and torn asunder as it has not been since 1892that the Democratic party begins to loom strong to-day. It stands for oppositionnot for adherence to principles or demonstrated capacity. The country is in opposition mood, manifestly, and ready to turn to the only opposition party in sight. That is all.

But the campaign now coming on may make of the Democratic party-and we hope it will-the great opposition party which the nation so sorely needs-which it always needs.

Men of the type of Representative-elect Foss, who stand for more than mere partisanship and who believe that platforms mean something, are likely to be recruited in numbers and help to bring about a political equation that will make for the general good. Therein lies the promise of the Democratic party; therein the hope of a nonpartisan country

Harmful Books.

The writers of modern fiction have development along the same lines during the next decade.

If we cared to advertise these books, we could name a number of recent appearance unfit for refined persons to read. It might be said, indeed, that no refined that there has been a general tendency of tolerance toward this sort of thing which touches all classes.

Much is written about immoral plays. An immoral book is worse than an immoral play. Indeed, a play cannot go as far over the border of decency as a book without its being suppressed or expurgated. Then, too, the natural sense of shame, which happily still exists in us as a heritage from our Puritan ancestors, forbids the average citizen to be seen puolicly at a play well known to be unfit, The frankly indecent play does not have the big patronage that one, without reflecting, might suppose.

On the other hand, unsavory books may be read in secrecy, and, unless the reader wishes to boast about it, no one will ever know that he has read it.

The class of fiction which is tainting the present output of popular books makes it exceedingly dangerous for mothers and fathers to allow their daughters and sons carte blanche at a circulating library. It is far easier to keep them away from bad plays than from bad books.

No decent or fair-minded person is misled by evasive prefaces about the author's "mission" or "moral lesson." These things are only the webs in which, alas! the too trust.

willing fly is caught. Beyond the regulations which prevent the promiscuous sale of unexpurgated The most rigid inspection or the closest editions of "The Arabian Nights" and supervision will not estop him from it. cause the suppression of the "Decameron," there is no censorship of literature. England censors its plays, but sends us yearly a lot of nasty books that, so far a bank's affairs are in the hands of from pointing any moral lesson or engendering a hatred for vileness, actually direct. The concerns that are systematinflame the imagination and whet the appetite for still more daring and flyblown stuff.

There is danger, real danger, in this class of writing-one cannot call it literature. It is bad enough for those who have passed the first impressionable stage of youth; on young men and women the checking up of the personal ledger, no effect is inexpressible. Pure bodies are the natural consequence of healthy minds, gation of the continually shrinking deand young people cannot remain healthy posits. Suspicion was never aroused by minded who read this fearsome trash.

Far better would we revert to the oldfashioned and sensational dime novel and car, employ a chauffeur, and make shilling shocker which fired the youthful weekly trips to New York. Such blind, imagination to impossible acts of prowess and death-defying deeds of valor, saw nothing amiss in the chauffeur being

They, at least, left no permanent scars. It is a mistake to suppose that the ma- employer was away on vacation. It jority of people will suddenly begin to was reserved for a receivership to reveal take these things as a matter of course what had been going on. A confession and become pure by familiarity with im- by the bookkeeper, a chronic gambler and purity. Such a Utopian idea has never succeeded anywhere. Nations rapidly closed the extent of it all-stealings ag-

already?

Self-confessed Grafters.

Immunty to the confessed grafters had unique sequel in Pittsburg last Saturjuvenile band of thieves was arrested. and, when before the magistrate, he promptly confessed his part in the various petty crimes, and then waited for the jurist to set him free. When this did not follow, he looked up in surprise. and said: "Lemme go. I told yer all the big grafters go when they confess." This is a concrete example of the result

.42.00 per year dence in Pittsburg. No doubt there are gart's political scalp or Albert Jeremiah thousands or millions of citizens whose line of reasoning is about the same as know there is going to be something the editor will be printed except over the that of the lad. These persons wonder doing on the Wabash. what stage of degeneracy has been reached when such conditions can exist. should be sent with the manuscript for Every self-respecting American should be shamefaced at the revelations of the past week. The open solicitation and acceptance of bribes is one of the most amazing spectacles in the history of makes peace with the uplift publications American municipalities. The exhibition of venality and greed outdoes even Pittsburg, which has far from a good reputation as cities go.

St. Louis, Chicago, San Francisco, and of public shame, but none such as this. The arousal of the public conscience will change all this. Corruption must cease, and the flaunting of vice before the people will react soon. It may be necessary for the nation and the cities to be scourged to purge itself. Better for the developments to come thick and fast and have it over, for the awakening will surely bring retribution, and the sooner the whole natter is at an end the better for the na-

Such exposures as are to be seen in Alpany are not partisan. They will probably have no political effect, for no party it down in one short year. to-day will tolerate dishonesty in its ranks. The same holds true in Pittsburg. Neither political party need fear any developments if an honest attempt is made to expose the criminality of its individual members.

Uncle Sam's Cook Book.

It is now the proud ambition of every publisher to have one of the "six best sellers," and Uncle Sam is right at the head of the procession. With the recent Issue of Tama Jim's cook book, paternalism has come in to the land. We are now being treated to the amazing spectacle of Uncle Sam hawking his wares before the American people. The cost of From the Cleveland Leader. living has gone up until trepidation exists as to whether there will be a Democrat in the seat now occupied by Uncle Joe. The happy solution of the whole matter is in getting back to a normal mode of life, and then the insurgents will come in off the trail and family

This is the object of the cook book, although it is not so stated in the prospectus. The editors believe if they can win over the women of the land, they will get the votes, for the hand that rocks the cradle usually prepares the breakfast and pays the grocery bills. So the mystery of Tama Jim's delightful talks on culinary topics is revealed.

This cook book needs no press agent to exploit its good qualities. It speaks reached a stage of bravado little short of for itself. It delves deep into the science alarming, if we are to expect an equal of chuck steak and brisket, into the proper mode of preparing a little meat and much toast to give the impression of a solid cut of porterhouse, of rice hominy and mashed potatoes with the flavor of the frying pan, of meat turnovers which can be warmed up twice person would read them, once knowing and still look fresh, of dumplings and what they were like, but for the fact drippings, and of variegated styles of prunes and hash.

Next should be prepared a book on the darning of socks, on the pip in chickens, on the use of the toothbrush, on proper mastication, on deference to be paid the hired girl, and how to husk corn. This would give the Democrats a shock from which they might not recover until after November. Anything to divert the minds of the people from Cannonism, insurgency, from the high cost of living, the tariff and trust regulations!

Great is Uncle Sam, and Tama Jim is the prophet. Let the government lighten the tasks of all of us. Dr. Wiley has been a humanitarian for some years, and since Tama Jim has no thought of leaving the Cabinet, he can emulate the chemistry bureau chief. There is a field for both. Let Dr. Wiley analyze the recipes and tell us whether any pre- But I years to hear the murmor of an English waservatives have crept into the ingredients

Easy Looting of a Bank.

recommended.

Safeguards thrown about the national panking system are insufficient to prevent the wrecking of ill-managed concerns by dishonest employes holding positions of

The thief in charge of a bank's cash or books is sure to find a way to steal. But the opportunities for stealing are reduced to a minimum and quick exposure of wrongdoing made all but certain when officers and directors who manage and ically looted are almost invariably controlled by men who really have no license, by way of business qualifications. to be engaged in the banking business.

The wrecking of the national bank at Cambridge, Mass., is astounding in the lax methods it disclosed. There was no balancing of pass books, and no investithe fact that the bookkeeper, on a salary of \$12 a week, could maintain a touring implicit faith did the bank have that it put in charge of the books while his

legenerate as the laxity of their morals gregating \$180,000 in a few months, and s increased. Are we slipping and sliding made possible by the kiting of checks and juggling of books.

The thief will be punished, of course, but no adequate penalty will be imposed in the cases of the incompetent, careless officers and directors who failed to manday. An eleven-year-old member of a age and direct and who all the time were really more guileless dupes than the dishonest bookkeeper himself.

> It is now the twilight zone for your Uncle Joseph.

If it really means the salvation of the country, the Speaker may in time come about them robberies. They're letting to be widely beloved again for the insurgents he made

> At long range we are unable to say which is in the greater danger-Tom Tag-Beveridge's Senatorial toga. But we do

> Roosevelt will hardly know Congress when he gets back, if that body keeps on reforming itself.

Tranquillity will never be fully restored until Hitchcock draws in his horns and of the land.

"Taft will give you a better administration than mine." said Roosevelt, "for he will be able to build deliberately where I have had to play the pioneer and Philadelphia have passed through periods clear the ground." And now, fourteen months after, some people see the ex-President returning to wage war on the builder and resume pioneering!

It will be recalled that the Democratic outlook took on a rosy hue when William Jennings Bryan was abroad before, but by fire, but there is enough manhood left changed in a twinkling when he set foot on his native soil.

> Well, there's the Cherokee Strip, if Mr. Foss is in doubt whether to seat himself on the Democratic or Republican

The late Marcus A. Hanna was once reviled by press and populace, but lived

CHAT OF THE FORUM.

A Political Nightmare. From the Atlanta Constitution

"Naw: she's learning to carry a spear It begins to look as though the G. O. P. elegracefully." phant's trunk is checked for Salt River Chop Suey Generis. O say, have you seen by the dawn's

Secretary Wilson's Latest Ruling. From the Atlanta Constitution. Secretary Wilson has ruled that bleached flour i -bleached flour. Now enforce the law.

Words Are Inadequate From the Los Angeles Express, Roosevelt admits that he missed the newspapers. And we violate no confidence in extending the assurance that the newspapers missed Roosevelt.

Judging by Dispatches. As we dope it out from the foreign news. Mr. Roosevelt is president of everything but the United

From the Philadelphia Public Ledger. Certainly the President has a right to criticise the press. The fact of being President does not deprive

him of the simple privileges of citizensl all will be at peace in the administration Three Million Democratic Majority. and myrtle I sprang to the stirrup, the From the Houston Post.

In noting that the population of Texas will approx imate 18,000,000 in 1940, when the sixteenth census will be taken, we forgot to mention that the Democratic majority of the State at that time will be

Fail to Accept Advantages. From the Buffalo Express.

The Democrats couldn't even take advantage of so small an opportunity as selecting the minority members of the Rules Committee without quarreling among themselves. How could such a party ern, if it had the power?

A Question of Waiting.

From the Macon News. 'The public doesn't care about our being econom ical," says Representative Gillet, of Massachusetts. Wait until the public gets the idea bored into its ranium by dearly-bought experience that the lack of economy in Congress means the stern necessity for it in the household and there will be another story to tell.

Spring Longings.

From Browning's Magazina Splutter-I'm just dying to get out and lig up the ground. Butter-Golf or fishworms?

A SONG OF RIVERS.

Lights upon the yellow Tiber are too beautiful to But the ancient poets preised them, and dead em-Dim cathedral lights at evening flash from all the hills of Rome. He's a stately river, Tiber. There's a better stream

Fierce by vineyards and by castles, in a fury flows And he sets the blood a-pulsing like a draught of gallant wine. Loud his read through quiet cities, seeks the sea, And the peasants mourn his plunder. There's a finer stream for me,

Still the Douro makes a music that it made for Moors in Spain.
Of the wind in highland valleys, and the wrath of Music fit for knights in armor, when the valiant

There's a torrent in Albania, where the faint red garnets glow
Through the foud of waters, like the ghosts of blood shed long ago.

Women wail by those sad waters for the sorrows that are there,
And the cak trees mourn forever over drooping maidenhair.

On the moonlight Seine is silver, and I know not what she sings,
But her song is surely haunted by the sweep of
white swans' wings.
Like a sword she cleaves the night, and carries memories to the sea. Frosted gowns, and nobles courting, and a great king's revelry.

How the dolphins thread with silver tracks the wist-Glades that cut a tangled forest; tides that sever Oh, it's 'over of the deep. they are by cavaliers and the sailors

There's a pageant on the wheatfield when, the Morning lights a lane of poppies in a narrow scarlet

By old sluices, weirs and channels, and deserted tor the lovely lakes of lilies, where the fairy wood-By the light that rends the heavens at the falling of

By the Bosporus and Jordan, by all Pagan streams and Frank,
By the dogrose and the myrtle, and the wild flowers the city people stewin', and I'm glad to live out here. By the spring song of the rivers when their life is Oh, it's quiet in the country, and there's By the waterfalls of all the world-my stream's the common sights,
And God's moon and stars up youder have to do

You shall one day see my river where the pines and willows meet.

Find a shallow filled with sunlight, let it sparkle When ther's hay stacked in the haymows for the

by the bookkeeper, a chronic gambler and the pool,
easy dupe of New York swindlers, dis- I shall call my river still more dear. O you most And the kind old quiet country will be good enough

A LITTLE NONSENSE PEOPLE AND THINGS.

Largest Latin-American City.

According to a recent census, the population of Buenes Ayres is 1.189,662, which constitutes it the largest Latin-American city, as well as the largest city south of the equator. In the two Americas it ranks after New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia in size. Hitherto Buenos Ayres has been the only port of arrival for all the immigrants coming from Europe, who are just beginning to land at Bahia Blanca. This has been one of the main reasons why Buenos Avres is so much larger than other Argentine cities. Rosario, the next largest, having 174,000 people, or slightly less than one-seventh of the population of the capital, and also why it is also the main distributing and manufacturing center. Every other country of settlement has at least two separate ports for the reception and distribution of immigrants, while Argentina has only had Buenos Ayres. Though the development of Bahia Blanca must of necessity be gradual for several years to "If you ask him how he feels, he imcome, its natural harbor and other advantages may in twenty or thirty years make it a most formidable rival to the capital, from which it has aiready "Why doesn't the general order a wrested the right to be called the greatwheat shipping port of South "He will in a moment. Just now he is America.

An Ingenious Scheme,

The method by which 1,600 kegs of wire "What kind of a young man is your nails have been recovered from the bottom of the Mississippi River is ingenious "Well, I'll say this for him: He never in the extreme. A huge electric magnet, attached to hoisting gear, was lowered magnet used is shaped like a mushroom and three feet in diameter. It is the "What do you think of this shirtsleeve surface by the magnet process they are sent to the Dassey warehouse, where restores them to their original color.

Sued for Odd Bill.

A granite and marble dealer of Los Angeles has brought suit against Mrs. E. Swayze for \$228 under rather peculiar circumstances. A glance at the items which go to make up the bill which was early light the backbone of winter that The old oaken backbone, the gem of of her beloved husband's remains. the ocean-thus warbled a Peri beneath Thomas Holmes, the plaintiff, endeavored to the best of his ability to help her by accompanying her from one cemeing alone, as it stands in the stable yard fessional opinion as to the availability There came to the beach a poor backbene of winter, that sang the old anthem The iron-bound backbone, above the green elms, the horn of the hunter is The backbone of winter that cried with delight when you gave her a smile as the sun went down.-Nashville Ten-Tell us not in broken winter that the backbone days are gone, for the ironbounden bucket left its impress on the

Fortifying Simplon Tunnel, Both Italy and Switzerland are fortifying the entrances to the Simplen tunnel. In the days when the masters of state while in the tunnel itself engineers are liness and noble style were still respected. busily engaged in constructing mines and the Colon was a power in the land. Today we know him not, save rarely, and then not in his rightful service. True, he may be found in conjunction with the Dash, but the Dash is a supine rascal, indeterminate, hesitating, and no fit company for one who was wont to be a very pillar of strength in the temple of letters. express train traveling sixty miles an man can't hol' half a candle ter him." There is something deeply pathetic in the hour. This iron door is worked by elecsilent passing of this grand old fellow. tricity from Iselle, the station at the after all his noble record. But the world Italian end of the tunnel, and under ordi- From the Kansas City Times, has changed, and the Colon has passed nary conditions it is hidden in the rocky with the minuet. It is the age of the side of the tunnel. The door is carefully scrawling Comma or hurried Dash; or, tested once a week. The mines are con- as economic conditions change. Name if we do rise to the height of the Seminected with Briggue and Iselle by eleccolon, that is but half a Colon, after all, tricity also, and by simply pressing a signs of dissolving that way." and not to be compared with the fine old button the Simplon tunnel would be defigure which served to buttress the great stroyed in a second. phrases of the masters. In the average book of the present, one will not find a To the Point. single Colon used for its original and chief purpose. Either the curt Period

Guzzler-Tightwad said a good thing last night. Wigwag-What was it? Guzzler-He said: "Well, boys, will you have?"

RATE CURIOSITIES.

with Prices Charged.

tic, thus making the rate by rail-andwater from these places the same as by roads extending from the Middle West tity. to grant their demands. When a manugoods all-rail to the Pacific Coast, the gan, "upon the iron ore to be found all of the rate. Consequently, in 1904 would be exhausted within the present

east of the Missouri River. Corresponding changes seldom have been made in the rates from the East or the Middle West to points in the per cent of the ore used in this country, Western interior. The rates to these into the water, the current turned on, places are not directly affected by waand the kegs hoisted one by one. The ter competition, and therefore, on traffic moving to them the Eastern lines until 1950. This estimate, made by Edwin commonly exact their usual local rates property of the Carnegie steel mills, and to the ends of their rails; and the Westwas sent all the way from Pittsburg to ern roads commonly exact their usual perform this work, which is not yet rates from there on. The distance to nearly completed, for the total number Seattle, Wash., from St. Paul, Minn., of kegs that went down was 15,000. In is 1,900 miles; from Chicago, 2,300 miles, all probability it will require a couple of and from New York, 3,200 miles. But onths to finish the job. The barge the first-class rate to Seattle, whether "It's all right if you have got something that contained these nails sank at the from St. Paul, Chicago, or New York, is head of Lafayette street, New Orleans. \$3.00 per 100 pounds. The distance to As soon as the kegs are brought to the Spokane, Wash., from St. Paul is 1,500; from Chicago, 1,900 miles, and from New York, 2,800 miles; but the first-class rate they are treated with a solution which from St. Paul to Spokane is \$3.00; from Chicago, \$3.60, and from New York, \$4.35.

Commander Peary's Friends.

A few of Mr. Peary's most influential newspaper backers continue to berate Congress for its attitude toward the surviving north pole hero. But Congress is refused payment shows that the most of abundantly justified in the position it has them are chargeable to the difficulty taken, and probably 75 per cent of the which Mrs. Swayze experienced in se- American people would so declare. The lecting a cemetery lot for the interment root of the present difficulty is the ultracommercialization which Mr. Peary's last expedition underwent. In return for a \$4,000 loan from the New York Times, before he started north, he gave that newstery to another and expressing his pro- paper a monopoly of his reports of the discovery of the pole-and that in spite or unavailability of certain burial sites. of the fact that he was in the service and The bill for services rendered attached on the pay roll of the United States govto the complaint included: Two days at ernment. From first to last, everything body but old folks went walking, the fa-Evergreen Cemetery assisting to select a that was salable was, disposed of in a simlot, \$10; twelve days at Inglewood Ceme- lar style. Even his proofs of the dis- Fifth avenue. tery assisting to select a lot, \$60; three trolled by a popular magazine and a tery assisting to select a lot, \$50; three droned by a popular magazine and "Twenty years ago, if one wanted to days at Forest Lawn Cemetery assisting firm of book publishers, which have paid see any particular person on Sunday aftto select a lot, \$15; four days at Rosedale a large sum of money for possession Cemetery assisting to select tile and a of them. The Congress of the United window, \$20; eight days at Hollywood States is asked to honor the explorer, yet Cemetery assisting to select lot and loca- because of these lucrative commercial tion for a foundation, \$40. It would ap- transactions, it is not only denied the pear from this that Holmes experienced right to receive the proofs, as its dignity his troubles in the matter and that the and as ordinary courtesy requires, but it money for which he has brought suit is abused for insisting upon this very the custom, for the reason that everyone Really, the conduct of some of Mr. Peary's friends passes all comprehension.

The Mule's Intelligence.

From the Atlanta Constitut "Dat ol' mule knows dat plowin' time strengthening those already in place, in has come," said Brother Dickey. "W'en order to facilitate the blowing up of the I gone ter de barn ter feed him dis tunnel at a moment's notice in case of mawnin' ho had done kicked de do' loose, war. Near the middle of the tunnel, a jumped two wire fences, an' swimmed de few yards from the Swiss frontier, Italian mill pon' ter de big woods. W'en you engineers have put in place a double iron stops ter consider de few adwantages de door, which can resist the rush of an mule hez had de intelligence er mere

Are You Answered?

"You say combinations and trusts will eventually dissolve of their own accord some famous combination that shows "Ham and eggs.

Of General Interest.

From the Kansas City Times, City Editor-You say in this murder story that one bullet bored through the stomach and lodged in the hedstead Reporter-Yes, sir.

Editor-Well, rewrite the story and play up the board and lodging feature.

TO-DAY IN HISTORY.

Exit "Pretty Peggy" Woffington-March 28.

tened, but probably never called, holds ardent love affair ended then with the the first place in the world's memory. Charles Reade's famous novel, "Peg Woffington," has doubtless done much to preserve her name, but the chronicles of

"Pretty Peggy."

And the people soon have wrinkles from their stavin' slurred her acting and a less eminent And they look all-fired stylish in the costly clo's they critic called her "an impudent Irishwear; But I guess they have their troubles just the same faced girl," was one of the greatest actresses and most captivating personalities the English stage has ever seen. Here was the old story of genius springing from lowly sources, for her father gar, must support two!" We've got wood piled in the woodshed that'll last was a bricklayer and her mother a wash-

There is always somethin' doin' to make city people water's bad;
When the strikers stop the street cars, then the mischief is to pay,
And the people have to foot it, gittin' clubbed along the way;
And the fever epidemics and the smallpox every little Peg's bewitching "Polly Peacham" career. was the sensation of the opera. From that hour her star shone brilliantly.

> Covent Garden and Drury Lane were the chief scenes of her triumphs.

Of all the stage favorites of her sex, | said to have outshone Garrick himself. "Margaret" Woffington, as she was chris- Naturally, it is little wonder that their conventional quarrel, return of letters and gifts.

Innumerable anecdotes show the history are also profuse in their praise of of Bohemia. Her beloved and indulgent Peg Woffington, who died on March 28, the Earl of Cholmondely. The nobleman 1760, at the age of thirty-nine, beyond came storming to the house of Woffing- enterprise as an exporting nation is the question, though peevish Horace Walpole ton to protest, but was completely con- fact that its manufacturers have stood by quered by his boy's charming sister-inlaw, admitting that he was no longer so "offended" as he had been.

"Offended," screamed the actress in her "orange-girl" voice. "'Tis I am offended, who now, in place of supporting one beg-

erwoman. She was born in Dublin on merry, generous, faulty creature was a to Latin America by way of Europe. The October 18, 1720, and as a little barefooted tragic one. Prompted by kindness, she United States has to do its banking with girl, she began to add to the family in- offered to play her old part of Rosalind these countries through Europe. come by selling salads, cresses, and at an actor's benefit at Covent Garden people of the United States have been so oranges in the streets and at the doors on the night of May 3, 1757. Never had accustomed to patting themselves on the of playhouses. She never wholly lost the she played it so well, but after the fifth back and feeling good over the fact that got so much to see,
We can heat up fer the babies, that the Lord sent thin, raucous voice of the street hawks, act she felt strangely and had to accept our exports have gone over the \$1,000,000,the "orange-girl pipe," as it was termed. the arm of an actor who had once bur- 000 mark, that they have lost sight of the Before the little Irish girl was ten years lesqued her playing before the footlights other fact that two-thirds of it was foodof age she made her appearance in public at Dublin. Returning to the stage, she stuffs and cotton, which need no drumas a singer and contortionist. She next commenced the epilogue, but suddenly mer, but which the world wants, while appeared as the precious toast of Dublin, faltered-could not regain her voice or her only one-third of it is in manufactures. the pet and delight of the fashionable self-command, and with the despairing world, in the "Beggar's Opera." This wail, "Oh, God! oh, God!" she tottered also sell the surplus product of their opera was the sensation of the day, and into the wings. Paralysis had ended her farms, it is everywhere considered wiser

> was the flexibility of her genius. Few odore Frelinghuysen, known as the ucts in proportion to the whole amount actresses have played as many parts so "Christian statesman" (1787); Henry Roe of their exports, successfully and handled both comedy Schoolcraft, who traced the source of the -Chicago Record-Herald. | Wildair in "The Constant Couple" she is Alexandria, Egypt.

AT THE HOTELS.

Railway Distances Have Little to Do "In fifty years American steel has placed the United States at the head of Originally the railway rates to the Pa- the nations," said Fred. S. Coogan, of Pittsburg, Pa., at the Raleigh yesterday. cific Coast from Eastern cities not on the Atlantic Ocean were more than from Mr. Coogan is a practical ironworker.

New York City and other Atlantic ports. "Despite the higher cost of labor in But the steamship lines began "absorb- this country, we sell steel in Enging" the railway rates from cities such land much cheaper than the English as Pittsburg and Buffalo, to the Atlan- steelmakers can sell it, and, incidentally, much cheaper than we do sell it at water from New York. The railway met home. But there is no part of the world this competition by also making their to which American steel and American rates from places 400 or 500 miles west of machinery have not gone, and as long the Atlantic Ocean the same as from as this country can make the best steel the Atlantic seaboard. The manufactur- for the least money its supremacy among ers and merchants at cities in the Mid- nations will be complete. That the United dle West demanded the same rates to States has sacrificed quality for quanthe Pacific Coast as were given Pitts- tity in the past is only another reason burg Buffalo, &c., and the Atlantic why the future of steel is full of promise, seaboard. It was to the interest of the for the future will add quality to quan-

"The future of iron and steel in Amerifacturer or jobber in Pittsburg shipped ca depends, of course," continued Mr. Cooroads west of Chicago got only part here. Not long ago a Swedish geologist of the rate. When a competing manu- made the startling announcement that facturer or jobber in Chicago shipped the iron ore reserves of the United States. them, the roads west of Chicago got about one-fifth of the world's supply. the rates to the Pacific Coast were century. This direful prophecy was based "blanketed"-that is, made the same- upon too meager information. As a matfrom all points in the United States ter of fact, the iron ore reserves of the United States cannot be estimated with any degree of certainty. The Lake Superior district, which now furnishes 80 and which is nearly all controlled by the trust, will continue to furnish this C. Eckel, a leading mineral authority, presumes the steady increase in demand which has been shown for the past twenty years. But the great deposits of iron ore in the Southeastern States, from Virginia to Alabama, have scarcely been touched. When the steel corporation took over the Tennessee company it added 25 per cent to its holdings of ore reserves, not to mention the immense coal fields which it then acquired.'

Baylor F. Gales, of New York, who is at the New Willard, in speaking of old New York and present customs, said yesterday: "When I was a child the Sunday linner was quite a feature of the week. Usually it brought all the family together. Married sons and daughters came home for it; also unmarried sons whose business or profession kept them away on other days. Very few formal dinners, though, took place on Sunday, It was not a favorite day for entertaining at dinner, nor for making many calls in the afternoor

"At that time society did more walking on Sunday afternoons," continued Mr. Gales, "than it has ever done since, or probably will ever do again. Few of the richest people who owned the finest carriages dreamed of taking them out on Sunday. Churchgoers walked to church and back, and after the dinner, which was apt to be prolonged, almost everyvorite promenade being up and down

ernoon, all he or she had to do was to take a stroll on the Avenue. Nowadays. of course, fashion carefully avoids Fifth avenue of a Sunday, except at church time; but it was not so then, and the sight was a very pretty one.

is now doing something else on Sunda afternoon. Mind you, I don't mean to say that the Sunday midday dinner and the absence of much entertaining were due to religious scruples only. In society then, as now, there were many persons who had no religious scruples whatever.

"Newcomers, with large fortunes and a disposition to spend money and have a good time, made their influence felt, although they had to take many a snub from the conservatives before they made much headway. One of the first to institute Sunday evening musicales. I remember, was Mrs. Paran Stevens. Then came the Sunday dinners in the new restaurants and hotels which were opened, and included small private diningrooms. At one time to dine even at Delmonico's of a Sunday would have given society in general a shock.

"Quite different to-day, isn't it?" Robert Boutrous, of Paris, accom-

panied by Mrs. Boutrous, is at the New Willard. The time is not far distant, eccording to M. Boutrous, when France will again turn to the church she has disavowed and disowned.

"The French people are beginning to realize that the new doctrine of socialism and ultra-radicalism, which have been forced upon them, are not working to their advantage; that, on the contrary, France has lost in prestige among the nations, and has lost from a material standpoint in many ways.

"The immorality of the Paris people and criminality are on the steady increase, and where it will lead to only the future will tell. The present government of France is permeated with graft and corruption; the army and navy are rotten to the core, and sedition, treason, and mutiny are rife. If there is anything worse than this, I don't know what it could be."

Commenting on the fact that the trade of South America is to a certain extent dominated by European nations, William sparkling wit which made Peg the queen Wilbur, of San Francisco, an exporter and shipper of that place, who was seen sister Polly married the second son of at the Shoreham, said that perhaps the most serious commentary on America's and allowed Europe to control seveneighths of the trade with Central and South America, while they come in for the crumb-like one-eighth which remains.

"By every natural law," said Mr. Wilbur, "the United States is entitled to seven-eighths of this trade, yet to-day The last public appearance of this we are permitting even our mail to go

"While there are other nations which to add to the value of the produce of forest, field, and mine by turning it March 28 is the day on which the ob- into a manufactured article and then exnoxious stamp act was signed in England porting it. Therefore, other great exin 1765. It is the birthday of Andrew porting nations exceed the United States One of Woffington's marvelous traits Oliver, the colonial statesman (1706); The- in the percentage of manufactured prod-

round your feet.

Stock that must be fed;

When I watch your face reflected in the stillness of They can have their noisy city, with the sights up and tragedy with such skill. She was Mississippi River to Lake Itica (1793); and every chance of securing some of the not only abie to play female roles, but the date of the death of the British gen- South and Central American trade, our male roles as well, and as Sir Harry eral, Sir Ralph Abercrombie, in 1801, near manufacturers will have to hustle at once before it is entirely too late."